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The wage rate for all livestock workers in the Delta region averaged \$10.27 per hour, a \$1.31 increase from the July 2010 reference week of July 11-17, 2010.

Washington County has the largest average rice yield in the State. The 5 year average for the county is 7,444 pounds.

In July 2011, 26,595,000 pounds of catfish were processed in the United States, down 32 percent from July 2010.

The average price of fresh, whole fish catfish in the United States averaged \$2.64 per pound during July 2011, up 97 cents from July 2010.

Farm Labor: Hired Workers and Wage Rates, United States, July 10-16, 2011, with Comparisons

Farm Employment	July 11-17, 2010	April 10-16, 2011 ¹	July 10-16, 2011
	1,000		
Hired Workers			
150 Days or more	627		606
149 Days or more	258		230
Total	885		836
Agricultural Services			
Workers Working on Farms	360		350
Hired Farm & Service Workers	1,245		1,186
Hours Worked by Hired Workers	40.7	Hours per Week	41.3
		Dollars per Hour	
Wage Rate			
Field & Livestock Combined	10.11		10.25
Field	10.09		10.24
Livestock	10.15		10.28
All Hired Workers ^{2 3}	10.79		10.90

¹ The April 2011 Farm Labor Survey was not conducted.

² Benefits, such as housing and meals are provided to some workers, but the values are not included in the wage rates.

³ Excludes agricultural services workers.

**Hired Workers: Wage Rates for Type of Worker and All Hired Workers, by
Selected Regions and United States, July 11-17, 2010, and July 10-16, 2011 ¹**

United States and Region	Type of Worker						Wage Rates for All Hired Workers	
	Field		Livestock		Field & Livestock Combined			
	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011
Dollars per Hour								
Appalachian I	8.77	9.20	9.07	9.89	8.82	9.35	9.40	9.85
Appalachian II	8.23	9.49	9.82	9.51	8.85	9.50	9.62	10.50
Southeast	9.12	9.18	9.69	8.72	9.30	9.05	9.97	9.70
Florida	9.40	9.90	9.40	10.20	9.40	9.95	10.68	12.15
Cornbelt I	10.57	10.66	11.17	10.63	10.75	10.65	11.20	11.15
Delta	9.02	9.24	8.96	10.27	9.00	9.50	9.34	9.85
Southern Plains	8.98	10.14	9.54	10.25	9.20	10.20	9.90	10.60
Pacific	10.65	10.82	11.89	10.56	10.75	10.80	11.27	11.28
California	10.10	10.00	11.10	10.80	10.23	10.10	11.12	10.80
Hawaii	12.00	12.70	14.20	13.25	12.19	12.76	14.41	14.91
United States ²	10.09	10.24	10.15	10.28	10.11	10.25	10.79	10.90

¹ Excludes agricultural service workers.

² Excludes Alaska.

Region: Appalachian I – NC, VA; Appalachian II – KY, TN, WV; Southeast – AL, GA, SC; Cornbelt I – IL, IN, OH;;
Delta – AR, LA, MS; Southern Plains – OK, TX; Pacific – OR, WA.

**Hired Workers: Number and Hours Worked by Selected Regions and United States,
July 11-17, 2010, and July 10-16, 2011 ¹**

United States and Region	Hired						Number of Hours Worked	
	Number of Workers		Expected to be Employed					
			150 Days or More		149 Days or Less			
	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011	Jul 11-17, 2010	Jul 10-16, 2011
1,000								
Hours per Week								
Appalachian I	44	41	27	31	17	10	39.9	42.8
Appalachian II	24	32	13	19	11	13	35.4	34.0
Southeast	36	31	27	22	9	9	38.9	39.4
Florida	35	40	28	37	7	3	37.7	40.3
Lake	64	74	42	50	22	24	34.4	36.7
Delta	29	25	18	18	11	7	38.3	39.5
Southern Plains	53	51	44	40	9	11	44.0	40.0
United States ²	885	836	627	606	258	230	40.7	41.3

¹ Excludes agricultural service workers.

² Excludes Alaska.

Region: Appalachian I – NC, VA; Appalachian II – KY, TN, WV; Southeast – AL, GA, SC; Lake – MI, MN, WI; Delta – AR, LA, MS; Southern Plains – OK, TX.

Chicken Eggs in Incubators, by Region and United States, August 1, 2010-2011

Region	Broiler-type			Egg-type		
	2010	2011	2011/2010	2010	2011	2011/2010
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
North Atlantic	12,528	13,169	105	3,507	5,469	156
East North Central	12,457	12,953	104	7,295	6,630	91
West North Central	30,072	28,141	94	8,037	9,242	115
South Atlantic	240,085	229,729	96	2,936	4,456	152
South Central	332,268	304,072	92	4,487	4,809	107
West	21,994	22,175	101	7,119	6,511	91
United States	649,404	610,239	94	33,381	37,117	111

July Layers and Egg Production, by Selected States and United States, 2010-2011

State	All Layers on Hand		Table Eggs		Hatching Eggs	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	1,000			Million Eggs		
Alabama	9,677	9,223	32	30	155	150
Arkansas	12,230	12,114	77	84	170	169
Florida	9,322	9,416	206	213	5	6
Georgia	16,654	15,921	182	183	175	160
Mississippi	6,351	5,986	38	37	90	88
North Carolina	13,505	13,391	146	133	135	141
South Carolina	4,180	4,502	66	78	22	22
Virginia	3,139	2,951	25	25	35	35
United States	339,929	335,763	6,610	6,651	1,109	1,085

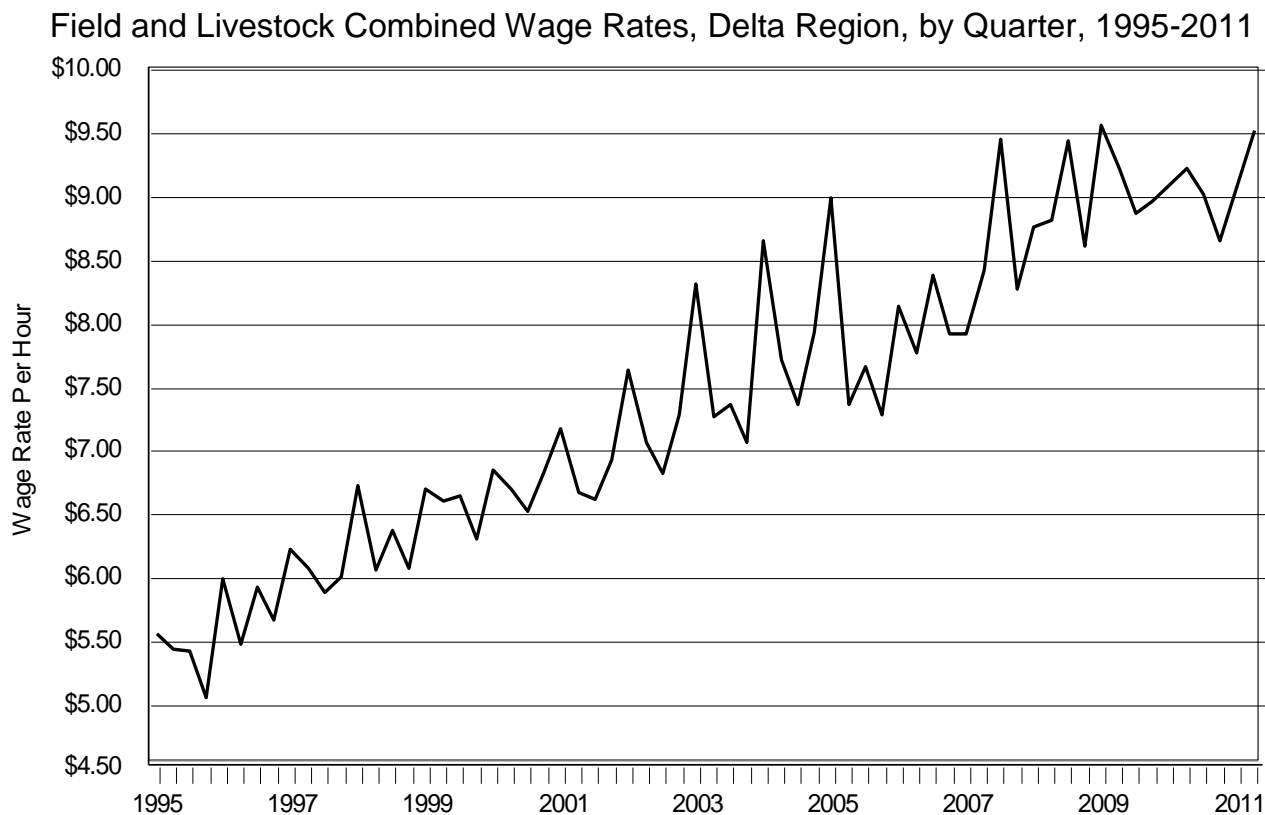
July Broiler-Type Chicks Hatched, by Selected States and United States, 2010-2011

State	During July			January-July		
	2010	2011	2011/2010	2010	2011	2011/2010
	1,000		Percent	1,000		Percent
Alabama	115,251	105,394	91	764,206	755,933	99
Arkansas	89,626	80,797	90	612,321	592,915	97
Florida	4,969	4,962	100	33,538	33,576	100
Georgia	117,828	121,106	103	798,528	840,027	105
Louisiana	12,950	12,558	97	87,603	85,834	98
Mississippi	71,866	69,976	97	491,695	488,714	99
North Carolina	72,985	72,757	100	483,359	505,479	105
Oklahoma	24,970	24,112	97	175,749	175,062	100
South Carolina	21,771	19,745	91	142,363	134,542	95
Texas	59,095	56,476	96	397,323	387,479	98
Virginia	24,300	23,174	95	161,658	158,216	98
United States	801,716	770,368	96	5,420,203	5,408,778	100

Rice Average Yields: 2006-2010

County	Number of Years	Weighted Average Yield (lbs.)
Bolivar	5	7,043
Coahoma	5	7,026
Quitman	5	6,530
Tallahatchie	5	6,411
Tunica	5	6,916
District 10	5	6,889
Panola	3	6,610
Tate	1	6,200
District 20	5	6,323
Humphreys	5	6,558
Leflore	5	7,016
Sharkey	3	6,993
Sunflower	5	6,824
Washington	5	7,444
District 40	5	7,039
Other Districts	5	6,235
State Average	5	6,925

The Agency did not publish a yield for every county each year. Whenever publication of county yields would reveal individual data, publication was suspended.



The Delta Region is composed of Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

**Catfish Feed: Tons Delivered for Foodsize Fish,
Mississippi and United States, 2010-2011**

Month	Mississippi		2011 as percent of 2010	United States		2011 as percent of 2010
	2010	2011		2010	2011	
	Tons		Percent	Tons		Percent
January	224	209	93	1,433	1,045	73
February	193	1,456	754	1,528	4,631	303
March	4,536	5,746	127	12,680	17,797	140
April	17,203	12,757	74	38,080	29,131	76
May	29,285	21,465	73	60,913	47,896	79
June	39,337	33,344	85	80,769	73,483	91
July	43,676	40,684	93	89,734	80,905	90
August	40,022			86,024		
September	37,849			77,963		
October	15,488			33,567		
November	3,900			12,525		
December	385			3,270		

**Catfish Feed: Tons Delivered for Fingerlings and Broodfish,
Mississippi and United States, 2010-2011**

Month	Mississippi		2011 as percent of 2010	United States		2011 as percent of 2010
	2010	2011		2010	2011	
	Tons		Percent	Tons		Percent
January	8	47	588	59	76	129
February	2	204	10,200	142	328	231
March	280	365	130	900	568	63
April	1,134	1,000	88	2,065	1,177	57
May	2,294	1,657	72	3,198	2,172	68
June	4,287	3,277	76	4,917	4,038	82
July	5,579	5,036	90	6,579	5,831	89
August	5,900			7,004		
September	3,723			4,949		
October	1,593			2,198		
November	230			346		
December	1			54		

United States Catfish: Average Prices and Ending Inventory, July 2010 and 2011

Item	Sales Volume		Average Price ¹		Ending Inventory	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	1,000 Pounds		Dollars Per Pound		1,000 Pounds	
Fresh						
Whole Fish	2,277	1,484	1.67	2.64	156	69
Fillets	3,411	2,227	3.25	4.84	542	333
Other	631	456	1.72	2.17	96	47
Total Fresh	6,319	4,167	2.53	3.76	794	449
Frozen						
Whole Fish	672	544	2.26	3.13	873	345
Fillets	8,030	5,505	2.96	4.48	6,747	2,363
Other	2,985	2,563	1.49	1.85	3,248	2,276
Total Frozen	11,687	8,612	2.54	3.61	10,868	4,984
Total Fresh & Frozen	18,006	12,779	2.54	3.66	11,662	5,433

¹ Gross value FOB plant.

United States Farm-Raised Catfish: Quantity Processed and Prices Received by Producers, United States, 2010-2011

Month	Round Weight Processed				Price per Pound ¹	
	Monthly		Cumulative			
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
1,000 Pounds				Dollars		
January	40,042	35,076	40,042	35,076	.764	.931
February	40,977	27,782	81,019	62,858	.765	1.003
March	46,650	30,372	127,669	93,230	.785	1.075
April	37,111	23,605	164,780	116,835	.804	1.141
May	38,244	24,749	203,024	141,584	.796	1.169
June	38,656	24,337	241,680	165,921	.786	1.231
July	39,302	26,595	280,982	192,516	.788	1.252
August	39,231		320,213		.790	
September	39,494		359,707		.816	
October	40,455		400,162		.832	
November	36,683		436,845		.841	
December	34,838		471,683		.861	

¹ Quantity processed by major processors and the prices paid for fish delivered to the processing plant's door. Price includes charges for any services provided by the processing plant, such as seining and hauling. Price also includes any discounts or premiums for size or quality, but does not include adjustments based on year-end settlements.

Farm Computer Usage: by Selected States and United States, 2009 and 2011

State	Farms							
	With Computer Access		That Own or Lease Computers		Using Computers for Farm Business		With Internet Access	
	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011
Percent								
Alabama	57	55	54	54	25	25	52	53
Arkansas	65	62	61	60	32	29	56	58
Georgia	54	60	52	59	23	38	50	57
Kentucky	57	59	54	58	26	23	48	55
Louisiana	53	60	51	54	26	28	46	53
Mississippi	53	59	50	56	22	27	47	51
Missouri	54	57	53	55	29	33	49	52
Tennessee	55	55	46	51	22	26	47	52
Texas	61	60	58	57	30	30	57	58
Virginia	68	65	65	62	32	29	67	61
United States ¹	64	65	61	63	36	37	59	62

¹ Excludes AK and HI.

Farm Computer Usage: Access and Use of Internet, by Selected States and United States, 2009 and 2011

State	Farms							
	Purchase Agricultural Inputs Over Internet ¹		Conduct Agricultural Marketing Activities Over Internet ²		Access USDA/NASS Reports Over Internet ³		Access Other USDA Reports/Services Over Internet ³	
	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011
Percent								
Alabama	8	9	7	4	3	3	5	10
Arkansas	9	11	6	7	5	4	12	12
Georgia	6	13	8	15	3	3	6	14
Kentucky	9	11	8	6	5	2	7	8
Louisiana	8	11	7	10	3	7	7	10
Mississippi	8	10	5	10	5	4	7	10
Missouri	7	11	7	10	5	8	9	11
North Carolina	16	17	12	18	5	7	14	15
South Carolina	10	11	7	8	6	5	6	6
Tennessee	9	10	7	11	8	5	8	9
Texas	11	12	8	7	4	4	8	7
Virginia	10	14	6	7	7	7	13	9
United States ⁴	13	14	11	12	7	7	12	13

¹ Agricultural inputs include seed, fertilizer, chemicals, veterinarian supplies, feed, machinery, replacement parts, farm supplies, office equipment, etc.

² Agricultural marketing activities include direct sales of commodities, on-line crop livestock auctions, on-line market advisory services, commodity price trading, etc.

³ Reference period for access and usage of USDA reports, research information, and services is the last 12 months prior to June 1 of survey year.

⁴ Excludes AK and HI.

Primary Method of Internet Access, by
Selected States and United States, 2009 and 2011 ¹

State	Dialup		DSL		Cable		Satellite	
	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011	2009	2011
Percent								
Alabama	37	24	28	49	13	10	11	7
Arkansas	17	7	45	43	11	11	13	19
Florida	21	15	54	36	4	15	18	9
Georgia	17	11	52	61	21	8	5	5
Kentucky	29	16	40	50	6	10	6	11
Louisiana	22	15	42	37	12	9	12	13
Mississippi	35	16	35	35	6	12	15	21
Missouri	33	16	34	37	5	5	14	17
North Carolina	20	7	53	58	11	14	5	7
Oklahoma	22	9	41	39	5	6	17	24
South Carolina	26	15	31	37	26	18	7	9
Tennessee	21	13	34	38	23	17	11	11
Texas	26	12	34	33	7	11	17	21
Virginia	39	16	20	32	9	9	15	24
West Virginia	32	15	37	37	7	9	16	18
United States	23	12	36	38	11	11	13	15

¹ Primary method of internet access for those operators who have access to the internet.

² Excludes AK and HI.